## **HOUSE BILL 248**

## By McCalmon

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to criminal offenses against persons.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-111, is amended by adding the following new subsection:
  - (f) A person convicted of a violation of this section involving strangulation or attempted strangulation shall be punished by a mandatory minimum sentence of thirty (30) days incarceration.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-102, is amended by adding the following new subsection:
  - (f) A violation of subdivision (a)(1)(A)(iv), in which the victim of the offense loses consciousness due to strangulation, may be prosecuted as attempted second degree murder, under § 39-13-210.
  - SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.